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COUNTY NEWS.

Only one frost in this part of the valley as yet, and it was felt rather than heard.

Regular Democratic weather in Lincoln Tuesday, though a little gloomy for scrubs.

A good many votes were planted in Lincoln county Tuesday. The same can be said of candidates.

Mrs. J. T. Edwards came in from the Penasco Sunday to see her husband and is stopping at the Lincoln hotel.

Charlie Miller and Jack Weldon start for Socorro in a day or two and will be gone several weeks. Important business claims their attention there during court.

An affair occurred at Torres' ranch Monday night, in which a man by the name of Bird had his anatomy rather seriously damaged by a half Indian, known as Francisco Sals. Whiskey and knives were the weapons used.

Mr. J. N. Coe, late of Santa Barbara, California, has located with his brother, Frank Coe, on the Ruidoso, and will engage in the cattle business. After looking the whole country over he has come to the conclusion that New Mexico is the best stock country in the world.

Melvin E. Richardson and H. K. Thurler have lately brought in 3,000 head of extra grade cattle from Fort Worth, Texas and placed them on their Cienega del Macho range. Parties who have seen them say, no finer lot of cattle were ever brought into Lincoln county. These gentlemen now have about 4,000 cattle on their range.

William Robson and Geo. T. Beall, Jr., have entered into a copartnership in the cattle business and will stock the Rinconada ranch on the west side of the White mountains with 600 cows at once. The well known business capacity and energy of these two men makes this new venture an assured success. A half interest in a fine ranch and 600 cows is worth more than any office in the territory, when the person holding the office is opposed to the Santa Fe ring.

The new road supervisor has been trying his hand of late. It is observed that he has dug one hole in the road to fill up another, and taken the soil from the low places to patch the gutters in the higher ground, while the water is left to follow its own free will in distributing itself over the road from the choked-up assequals. With these slight exceptions the work is good. It may be well enough to respect water rights, but when it comes to washing its way along the center of the roads or forming pools in the public highway, it is time to consider the rights of people who use them.

H. B. Fergusson on his return from Lincoln to Albuquerque, happened to be a passenger on the train that was fired into near Socorro the other night. He says that when the bullets began to come through the windows the passengers got down between the seats and it really began to look like a prayer meeting and he thinks he did relieve himself of: "O Lord, Your Honor, may it please the court hearken unto the prayer of these my clients who wish to be forgiven of many crimes and iniquities for which O Lord! I appear as counsel asking the indulgence of thy court for myself as well as these others for whom I humbly pray." Just here the conductor—who had recovered himself as the train sped away out of range of the leaden messengers, called "tickets," and the prayer-meeting was adjourned without date.

CATTLEMEN TAKE NOTICE!

ROSWELL, N. M., Nov. 1st.

J. J. Dolan, Esq., Lincoln, N. M.

DEAR SIR—I have made arrangements to have all our delegates to St. Louis convention (18th of November) to meet at the office of the New Mexico Stock Grower, Las Vegas, on the 11th inst., at which place they will find passes and credentials awaiting them. The delegations of the various stock associations of New Mexico will leave Springer in a body on the 13th. This will bring them into St. Louis on the 16th and allow time for a meeting of New Mexico delegates in St. Louis prior to the convention. Below is a list of our delegates: J. A. LaRue, H. Milne, C. B. Eddy, Geo. W. Williams, Pat F. Garrett, Jose Hernandez, E. G. Murphy, W. T. Thornton, Jas. A. Aleck, W. H. L. Llewellyn, J. P. White, J. J. Cox, Jeff. Reynolds, S. H. Miller, J. C. Lea, W. L. Ryerson, Sam. Doss, and F. M. Goodin.

W. E. ANDERSON.

COURT CULLINGS.

We have one or two lawyers who only practice in court about every other year.

In a squabble between two of our lawyers the client is pretty sure to be used up first.

A man in Missouri has seventeen bullet holes in his head and yet his brain is uninjured. What a capital juryman he would make on a murder trial.

Court for the last ten days has been in session on an average just three hours and fifteen minutes per day. But then the people have to foot the bill.

Ten minutes after the final adjournment there was a regular stampede up and down the valley, and in less than an hour the town looked like a deserted cow-camp after the round-up.

The defense of Col. Geo. T. Beall in the case of the prisoner Aragon was pronounced the best ever made in a Lincoln court. Col. Beall was engaged in every important case of the term.

Justice in New Mexico is dealt out on the Arkansas plan. It is easy enough to convict a horse or cattle thief, but let a man commit murder two juries will hang for his conviction and a third will turn him loose.

Hereafter we suggest that in drawing a jury no baldheaded men be chosen, as the ease with which the main points of a case penetrate their craniums utterly unfit them to render the kind of verdict sought.

What with recriminations, bickerings and chinnings among the attorneys and rappings and scoldings from the judge a Lincoln court room presents a show about as entertaining as a cage of monkeys turned loose with a toothless old lioness.

Usually cases have to be carried up to a higher court for a reversal, but the Third District has a judge who reverses his own decision. What Judge Bristol's opinion is one day, has nothing to do with his decision the next. A little buzzing by a Santa Fe lawyer during recess has a very potent bearing on a case sometimes.

A witness in court is entitled to a fee of fifty cents per day for his service, which is paid in county warrants, and the clerk is allowed by law to charge fifty-cents for making out the certificate by which he draws his pay. Allowing for the depreciation in warrants, this leaves him in debt twelve and a half cents outside of his board bill.

Clements says he loaned a grand juryman his mattress and blanket and slept on a pile of hay, and when the jury got through their work the fellow took up his bed and skipped. He notifies the fellow to bring his bedding back the next term of court or run the risk of having to hang himself up on a barbed wire fence for want of better sleeping arrangements.

Bald heads do not assume that air of homelike and contented familiarity on a Lincoln county jury bench that they do in the front chairs of a variety show. Hezekiah Biggs, whose head takes on all the polished smoothness of a freshly hatched billiard ball was bounced off every jury during this term of court. Oh, Hezekiah! A bald headed prophet hath two much honor and good common sense to serve the purposes of the law sharp in his own country.

A prominent lawyer from a distance who has an extensive practice in our court got into a little case in chambers with some of our professional men which occupied his attention during almost the entire term, to the great prejudice of his clients in open court. The case involved a shuffle and a poker. This was "seen" by one of our own attorneys who took a \$25 fee in advance, where \$30 was the amount in dispute, and when the case was called, had filled himself so full of jurisprudence that he could not get inside the courthouse door.

The board appointed to select our jurors hereafter would save the county considerable money if they would go around and measure the hats of the persons to be drawn and see that no one be chosen who wears anything larger than a number five, or is acquainted with anything or anybody more than a mile from his home. And let them all be taken from the native population. They have been here the longest and ought to know the most about what is best for the county. Besides it is very expensive to Americans, after they have been all bounced off their seats, to hang around the saloons and bunk against a per cent, to pass away the time.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

D. J. M. A. Jewett vs. Adna Lamson. Assumpsit. Judgment by default.

Jose Montano vs. Geo. B. Barber and wife. Assumpsit. Tried by court. Judgment for plaintiff \$19.48 and costs.

John C. DeLany vs. Isaac Ellis. Trover. Continued to next term.

Ellen E. Casey vs. Sambrano Tafoya and Francisco Vigil. Ejectment. Continued for settlement.

Milton Carrier vs. R. W. Sawyer. Attachment. Dismissed on plaintiff's motion.

Thurber & Kellogg, assignees vs. Jacob Mathews. Dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

J. H. Blazer vs. Prescott Mining Company. Attachment. Continued by consent.

Prichard, Spiegelberg and Whitmore vs. Benson, Chandler, Thomas & Co. Ejectment. Continued.

Jose Luce vs. Jose Antonio Otero. Assumpsit. Continued.

Brookmire & Reinken vs. Will Dowlin & Co. Assumpsit. Continued to next term.

Levi M. Bates et al. vs. Will Dowlin J. C. DeLany, et al. Assumpsit. Continued by consent.

Adna Lamson vs. Wm. Stone. Ejectment. Continued for service.

Thurber & Kellogg assignees vs. W. E. DeLany. Assumpsit. Judgment by default on promissory note for \$770.28.

Lee. H. Rudisille vs. James A. Tomlinson. Assumpsit. Judgment for plaintiff \$122.45 and costs. New trial granted.

Baxter Mountain Gold Mining Company et al. vs. Thomas J. Lyman. Ejectment. Judgment for nineteen-twentieths of the property in dispute.

Samuel McC. McPherson vs. Baxter Mountain Mining Company. Assumpsit by attachment. Continued by consent.

Donaciano Serrano vs. Jose Miguel Mes. Assumpsit. Continued.

Pablo Chaves vs. Chas. Buford John N. Hudgens et al. Ejectment continued by consent.

Nicholas Booth vs. John P. Booth. Chancery. Dismissed on plaintiff's motion.

Nicholas Booth vs. Charles Booth. Assumpsit. Dismissed on plaintiff's motion.

John W. Harrison vs. Homestake Gold Mining Company. Assumpsit. Continued by consent of parties.

E. T. Chester vs. Homestake Gold Mining Company. Ejectment continued on plaintiff's paying defendant's costs for term, plaintiff required to give security in the sum of \$500.

E. W. Parker vs. Thomas Howard. Assumpsit and attachment. Continued for arbitration.

Geo. T. Beall vs. Wm. Hickox. Ejectment. Continued by consent, plaintiff paying costs.

W. T. Thornton vs. Frank McCleary. Ejectment continued.

Geo. T. Beall, Jr., vs. T. W. Heiman. Assumpsit and attachment. Judgment for \$251.25

Wm. E. Anderson vs. Joshua Barefoot et al. Chancery. Dismissed.

Frank Lesnet vs. M. M. Gaylord et al. Assumpsit. Ruled to plead.

John James vs. Jane James. Divorce. No service.

Jose Encarnacion Trujillo and wife vs. Donaciano Serrano; respas; no service.

Wm. F. Blanchard vs. Henry Milne. Assumpsit. Dismissed on plaintiff's motion.

J. G. Glass vs. Benson, Chandler, Thomas & Company. Assumpsit. Continued.

Bates, Reed and Cooley vs. Will Dowlin & Co. Assumpsit. Continued for service.

Geo. T. Baall, Jr., vs. S. McC. McPherson. Assumpsit and attachment. Judgment by default \$185.60.

Geo. T. Beall Jr. vs. Board of County Commissioners. Trespass. Dismissed.

Manuel Gonzales y Castillo et al. vs. Francisco Romero y Valencia. Ejectment. Nollid.

L. and J. Rainbolt vs. Robert Gilbert. Assumpsit. Judgment by acknowledgment.

J. S. Soot vs. W. H. Hudgens et al. Injunction; hearing in chambers. Injunction dissolved so far as it relates to stock now on the range but to hold against other cattle being brought on the range.

Territory vs. Rinaldo Aragon. Murder. Jury disagreed defendant admitted to bail in \$2,000

Territory vs. Juan Garale. Assault with intent to commit murder. Continued.

Territory vs. Tiburo Duran. Horse stealing continued.

Territory vs. Thompson and Waite. Continued with alias.

Territory vs. Pedro Padilla. Horse stealing. Guilty; two years in territorial prison.

Territory vs. Nicolas Mes and Miguel Mes. Murder and accessory. Nollid.

Territory vs. John T. Edwards. Stealing cattle. Nolle.

Territory vs. John T. Edwards. Stealing cattle. Fined \$200 and costs.

Territory vs. John T. Edwards. Fraudulent selling cattle. Imprisonment two years in territorial prison.

Territory vs. James M. Bennet. Assault with intent to kill continued. Bail \$500

Territory vs. Eldridge A. Morse. Larceny fined \$25 and costs.

Territory vs. Thomas Bennet assault with intent to kill. Discharged.

Territory vs. John Boswell. Horse stealing. Fined \$25 and costs.

Territory vs. John Boswell embezzlement. Continued.

Territory vs. Nicholas Booth, assault with intent to commit murder. Continued with warrant.

Territory vs. Nick Booth. Assault with intent to kill. Continued.

EL PASO, TEXAS.

If a few items from El Paso Texas, will be of interest to you, here they are: This is the best town I've seen in the southwest. With a population less than 4,000 it has a mile of business houses; is lighted by gas and electric lights; has water works; telephone, ice machine and street cars. Rents are enormous, from \$100 to \$300 being paid for store rooms, and to a stranger it seems to be a jumble of restaurants and saloons. But there is a substantial appearance about the buildings of the little city and they impress one with the idea that the people who live here came to stay, and relieve it of being called a mushroom town.

I met a few White Oaks people here, prominent among whom was W. H. Tuttle, who seems to have the inside track on the painting business and is one of the young men of the city.

Geo. Killen, an old time prospector of Lincoln county, I met on the street. He was looking for a town that sells whisky at twenty-five cents a drink and expressed the opinion the frontier was a thing of the past.

The White Oaks railroad is no longer agitated having been agitated out of existence. Still all expressed the opinion that the D. & R. G. would some time connect the two cities.

In company with Paul Wagner, who was representing the Rio Grande Republic, I visited Paso Del Norte and for the first time set my foot outside of the United States and Territories. This Mexican plaza resembled those of New Mexico, having the same old Mexican cathedral, the same ancient dokey walls and only differed in having barracks where the Mexican soldier, in his picturesque uniform, guarded you from crossing the dead line. We inscribed our names in the bell tower, mailed a letter with a foreign stamp and paid twenty cents to come back on the street cars. This took all the ancient business out of it.

"The Devil chimned me up until I bit," is the plea offered by old Adam Oursell for publishing the libel against one of the proprietors of this paper on the eve of election, at the instigation of Parson Sligh.

McPherson & Biggs, of the Patos mill have closed a contract for 20,000 feet of lumber to be delivered at Chisums ranch on the Pecos.

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At a meeting of the Lincoln County stock Association held at Roswell, N. M., on the 25th day of October 1884. Article 13 of the by-laws relating to rewards was so changed as to read \$500 instead of one thousand dollars as heretofore.

W. E. ANDERSON, President.
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